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- _____ In the event that the Foreign Search Report is in a foreign language, a translation thereof is herewith submitted.
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- ____ Attached hereto is a Statement of Relevancy and copies of references cited therein.
- ____ The relevancy of each reference can be found in the English language Abstract attached thereto

Respectfully submitted,



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